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Sir:

The undersigned declares as follows.

- 1. I am a German Patent Solicitor.
- 2. I prepared and filed DE 20310178.2.
- 3. DE 20310178.2 was filed with the German Patent and Trademark Office on July 2, 2003 as further evidenced by a certified document acknowledging same by the German Patent and Trademark Office accompanying this Declaration.
- 4. I am informed that the German Patent and Trademark Office does not retain copies of applications that are not published and that it is no longer possible to obtain a certified copy of the German application.
 - 5. Attached is a true copy of the text of DE 20310178.2 from our records.
- 6. Also attached is an English translation of the DE 20310178.2 with a statement of the translator as to its correctness.

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